

Four Central Kentucky Counties Affected by NOAA Weather Radio Broadcast Area Change November 15 2010



As part of an ongoing effort to streamline NOAA Weather Radio (NWR) programming to better serve the citizens of the Commonwealth, the National Weather Service has been conducting signal strength surveys of NWR transmitters in central Kentucky. Results from these surveys indicate that the signal from NWR station KIH44 in Somerset –broadcasting at 162.550 MHz – are not strong enough in the counties listed below to warrant continued broadcast of SAME warning codes for these locations. For that reason, broadcast of warnings for these areas on KIH44 will cease November 15, 2010.

NWR listeners in these counties should tune their NWR receivers to the frequency listed below to receive forecasts and warnings for their area. Where multiple transmitters/frequencies are listed, tune to the signal that provides the clearest reception.

County	Transmitter, Frequency (MHZ)		
Cumberland	Burkesville – 162-475		
Hart	Horse Cave – 162. 500	Bowling Green – 162.400	E-Town – 162.550
Monroe	Campbellsville – 162.525		
Washington	Burkesville – 162.475	Horse Cave – 162. 500	Lafayette, TN – 162.500

This change results in more localized programming for each of the transmitter broadcast areas, both for routine forecasts and observations, as well as for hazardous weather watches and warnings. NOAA Weather Radio listeners in central Kentucky should ensure they are monitoring a transmitter that serves their location by listening to the list of counties on the weekly NWR alarm tests – conducted every Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning – or by checking the central Kentucky NWR coverage maps at http://weather.gov/lmk/?n=weather_radio-lmk

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